UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

KEITH R. MAJEWICZ,

Plaintiff.

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ORDER 09-CV-340

MICHAEL J. ASTRUE, Commissioner of Social Security,

Defendant.

This case was referred to Magistrate Judge Hugh B. Scott, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1). On October 21, 2009, defendant filed a motion for judgment on the pleadings and on December 4, 2009 plaintiff filed a motion for judgment on the pleadings. On February 22, 2010, Magistrate Judge Scott filed a Report and Recommendation, recommending that defendant's motion for judgment on the pleadings be granted and that plaintiff's motion for similar relief be denied. Plaintiff filed objections to the Report and Recommendation on April 14, 2010 and defendant filed a response thereto. Oral argument on the objections was held on June 14, 2010.

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1), this Court must make a <u>de novo</u> determination of those portions of the Report and Recommendation to which objections have been made. Upon a <u>de novo</u> review of the Report and Recommendation, and after reviewing the submissions and hearing argument

from the parties, the Court adopts the proposed findings of the Report and

Recommendation.

Accordingly, for the reasons set forth in Magistrate Judge Scott's Report

and Recommendation, defendant's motion for judgment on the pleadings is

granted and plaintiff's motion for judgment on the pleadings is denied. The Clerk

of Court shall take all steps necessary to close the case.

SO ORDERED.

s / Richard J. Arcara

HONORABLE RICHARD J. ARCARA UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

DATED: June 21, 2010

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